

DEALING IN STOCKS MIRE DIVERSIFIED

Aggregate Sale for Day, However, Not Greater Than That of Thursday.

STANDARD OIL PARTY BUYING

Accumulation of These Stocks Said to Be Going on in Face of Government Suit.

NEW YORK, November 16.—The speculative movement to-day was more diversified than yesterday, although the aggregate sales for the day did not exceed those of yesterday. The decreases were in those stocks in which dealers were compelled yesterday to agree that price in the market an unnatural appearance. The favorite stocks in yesterday's speculation were under more or less pressure to-day in a process of profit-taking. St. Paul still held a leading place in the movement, but it was irregular and yielded sharply at the outset under offerings to realize. It came up afterwards, and Reading also made a new start to a higher level.

The Standard Oil party was supposed to be accumulating stocks, notwithstanding the continued heavy fall of that stock in the curb market, and the sensational attention given to the government's suit against the company. A reported hasty return to this city of President Hill of the Great Northern was made grounds for rumors of important pending developments affecting his properties. Reading was subject of revived rumors of a coming increase in the dividend rates.

The usual explanation heard for the rise in Amalgamated Copper was that it might be expected as a Standard Oil favorite to follow the movement of St. Paul.

Money continued to work easier. Only small changes are indicated in the cash holdings of the banks for the week as a result of the currency movement, but a large cutting down of the loan item is expected to be shown in consequence of free lending here for account of interior banks.

The irregular tone of the later market when profit-taking had become quite general was broken in upon by the buoyant jump in the Hill stocks, and the market closed generally strong under this influence.

Bonds were firm; total sales, par value, \$11,000,000. United States old 4s declined 1-1/2 per cent on call.

Total sales of stock to-day were 1,250,390 shares.

NEW YORK, November 16.—Close: Prime mercantile paper, \$69.1-2 per cent. Sterling exchange steady, with active business. Bankers' bills at \$4,075,000 (\$4,250,000) for demand, \$1,000,000 for sight, \$1,000,000 for 30 days. Postage rates 1-1/2 to 2-1/2 per cent. Commercial bills, \$1,500. Bar silver, 7.80c. Mexican dollars, 30-1/4. Government bonds easy; railroad bonds firm. Money on call steady, 4% per cent, ruling rate, 4-1/2; closing bid, 4; offered at 4-1/2. Time loans easier, sixty days, 7-1/2 per cent, ninety days, 7; six months, 6.

RICHMOND STOCK MARKET.

RICHMOND, Va., November 16, 1906. SALES AT BOARD. Virginia-Carolina Chemical Preferred—10 at \$100. SECURITIES Bid. Asked.

North Carolina 4%, U. S. 120—100. Va. Central, 20c. and 10c. 100—80. 80c. 80c.

RAILROAD BONDS.

Atlanta and Char. 1st 7%, R. 1901—100. A. & T. L. R. Co., Fr. 4%—80. Georgia, Fr. 4%—80. Georgia and Fla. 1st 7%, 100—100. Georgia and Ala. Co., 1900—100. N. Y. and N. Western Ry. 1906—99. Norfolk and W. Va. 1st 7%, 1904—100. N. & W. Co., Fr. 4%, U. S. 120—112.

RAILROAD STOCKS.

Atlanta and Charlotte, 100-125. Atlantic Coast Line, "A," 100-125. Chesapeake and Ohio, 100—125. Northern and Western com., 100—94. H. P. and P. Div. Orlng.—100-214. 212. RAILROAD CO. STOCKS.

American National, 100—125.

C. & G. 100—125.

First National, 100—125.

Metropolitan National, 100—125.

National Bank of Virginia, 100—125.

AMERICAN.

Va.-Car. Chem. pfld. \$100—100.

BALTIMORE STOCK MARKET.

BALTIMORE, Md., November 16.—Seaboard Line, common and preferred.—Nothing doing.

COTTON MARKETS.

NEW YORK, November 16.—The cotton market reached another new high level during to-day's trading, and was again active with strong buying and selling, and the close was steady at a new advance record. The opening was 1 point higher to 1 points lower, the low being due to lower cables, and closing 1 point higher and 1 point lower in the South. The local professionals were again active in the market, and there was more or less general selling, but four or five brokers being active, and after a time the market fell on the early offerings, and the buyers took on the market price, rallied on the reports of firm spot markets in the South, and continued light offering to the interests. After a time the market again points the market began off again, but was rallied sharply in the early afternoon by reports of a very low barometer in the Southwest, and a report of a low barometer from Oregon. This advance carried the market to record for January and 10 for March, or about 10 points higher, but was followed by realizing, under weak buying, and 10 points toward the close. Southern spot markets was officially reported 14-1/2c. higher and prices for the low grades were again firmly held as a result of the advance in futures. The expectation of a severe storm in the West, and after one of the important factors in the afternoon's advance.

Cotton futures closed steady:

Open. High. Low. Close.

November 16. 10.42 10.45 10.40 10.46.

December 10.13 10.30 10.10 10.25.

January 10.11 10.32 10.09 10.25.

February 10.28 10.32 10.22 10.32.

March 10.30 10.32 10.21 10.32.

April 10.30 10.44 10.30 10.42.

May 10.32 10.44 10.29 10.47.

June 10.30 10.44 10.30 10.51.

July 10.30 10.44 10.30 10.51.

Spot cotton closed steady, 10 points advanced, middling uplands, 11.00; middling Gulf, 11.25; main, 10.50.

Cotton, steady; middling, 11.00; net receipts, 80 bales; gross, 1,200 bales; value, 1,000 bales; 100 bales; 100 bales to the Continent, 1,200 bales; to Japan, 120 bales.

Total to-day at all ports—Net receipts, 60,642.

STOCK BROKERS.

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	Open.	High.	Low.	Closing.	Bid.	Asked.	Open.	High.	Low.	Closing.	Bid.	Asked.
500 Atlantic Coast Line, com.	136%	136	136	136			300 Nash., Chat. and St. Louis 160	140	138	140		
26,900 American Smelters, com.	150%	151	150	150			2,500 National Lead	140	138	140		
2,700 Amer. Car and Foundry	44%	44	44	44			15,000 New York Central	128%	128	129		
490 Amer. Car and Foundry, pfld. 100	104%	104	101	101			500 Norfolk and Western	94%	94	95		
200 American Cotton Oil	33	33	33	33			400 Rock Island	40%	40	40		
700 American Tobacco, pfld.	93%	93	92	92			52,200 Northern Pacific	128%	128	129		
American Can							2,700 Pennsylvania Railroad	128%	128	129		
American Can, pfld.							700 Pressed Steel Car	94%	94	95		
1,300 Amer. Locomotive, com.	74%	74	72	72			1,100 Republic Steel, com.	97%	97	98		
2,200 Amer. Locomotive, pfld.	123%	124	121	121			1,100 Republic Steel, pfld.	95%	95	96		
16,300 Amer. T. and S. Fe., com.	100%	100	99	99			1,100 Republic Steel, s. com.	95%	95	96		
400 A. T. and S. Fe., pfld.	101	101	98	98			1,100 Republic Steel, s. pfld.	95%	95	96		
17,000 Baltimore and Ohio	118%	118	117	117			1,100 Republic Steel, s. pfld.	95%	95	96		
1,000 C. & O. Ry. Rapid Transit	77%	78	76	76			1,100 Republic Steel, s. pfld.	95%	95	96		
2,400 Chesapeake and Ohio	121%	121	119	119			1,100 Republic Steel, s. pfld.	95%	95	96		
2,800 Chicago Great Western	117%	117	115	115			1,100 Republic Steel, s. pfld.	95%	95	96		
2,600 Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul	138%	138	135	135			1,100 Republic Steel, s. pfld.	95%	95	96		
2,000 Colorado and Southern	125%	125	123	123			1,100 Republic Steel, s. pfld.	95%	95	96		
2,000 Colorado, s. and W.	125%	125	123	123			1,100 Republic Steel, s. pfld.	95%	95	96		
2,700 Delaware and Hudson	22%	22	21	21			1,100 Republic Steel, s. pfld.	95%	95	96		
Del. Lack. and Western							1,100 Republic Steel, s. pfld.	95%	95	96		
8,000 Erie, com.	42%	42	41	41			1,100 Republic Steel, s. pfld.	95%	95	96		
Erie, pfld.							1,100 Republic Steel, s. pfld.	95%	95	96		
1,000 Fr. 1st and S. Fe.	100%	100	98	98			1,100 Republic Steel, s. pfld.	95%	95	96		
1,000 Fr. 1st and S. Fe., pfld.	101	101	98	98			1,100 Republic Steel, s. pfld.	95%	95	96		
200 General Electric	171%	172	170	170			1,100 Republic Steel, s. pfld.	95%	95	96		
17,000 Great Northern, pfld.	122%	122	120	120			1,100 Republic Steel, s. pfld.	95%	95	96		
1,400 Illinois Central	131	131	128	128			1,100 Republic Steel, s. pfld.	95%	95	96		
1,400 Indiana and Michigan	124%	124	121	121			1,100 Republic Steel, s. pfld.	95%	95	96		
1,400 Manhattan	124%	124	121	121			1,100 Republic Steel, s. pfld.	95%	95	96		
1,400 Mexican Central	122%	122	120	120			1,100 Republic Steel, s. pfld.	95%	95	96		
12,000 Mo., Kan. and Tex., com.	27%	27	26	26			1,100 Republic Steel, s. pfld.	95%	95	96		
2,400 Mo., Kan. and Tex., pfld.	27%	27	26	26			1,100 Republic Steel, s. pfld.	95%	95	96		
8,200 Missouri Pacific	80%	80	79	79			1,100 Republic Steel, s. pfld.	95%	95	96		
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